

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom and was broadcast to the public via the Planning and Code Administration Department's YouTube channel. All HDC members participated in the meeting off site. Michael Gehr, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. on Thursday, December 10, 2020. A roster of the members of the commission and the technical posts they fill are on file and available upon request. Also participating virtually were commission members L. Allen, Douglas Carroll, and Chris George. In addition to Mr. Bockmiller, D. Calhoun, Secretary, was present at City Hall.

Approval of Minutes:

November 12, 2020:

MOTION: (Allen/Carroll) I so move (to approve the minutes of November 12).
DISCUSSION: None.
ACTION: APPROVED (Unanimous)

CONSENT AGENDA

7 East Washington Street – AT&T Mobility – Cell Tower Upgrades, Case No. HDC 2020-40.

153 South Potomac Street – Ken Berry – Rooftop Deck, Case No. HDC 2020-42.

No one was present to speak against either of these cases; nor did any commission members have concerns.

Staff had a comment about the railing on Case No. HDC 2020-42 that it be a more traditional railing with extra trim. The applicant, Ken Berry, had concerns about sawing off the bottoms of the pickets due to structural concerns. There will be a top plate which will cover the tops of the pickets; Mr. Berry proposed a fascia board along the bottom to cover the bottoms of the pickets. Staff had no concerns with the applicant's counter proposal since it is out of view from public ways. The applicant is making a reasonable effort to accommodate the guidelines. Commission members had no concerns with Mr. Berry's proposal.

MOTION: (Allen/Carroll) Mr. Chairman, I have reviewed the materials submitted in Cases HDC 2020-40 and HDC 2020-42 and their associated staff reports and recommendations. I have viewed the properties in question. The staff reports recommend approval of these applications as consistent with the applicable standards adopted by this commission, and no one has appeared at this hearing with concerns about, issues with, or objections to these applications. Therefore, I move that this commission adopt the staff evaluations and recommendations in these cases as its own and grant

Certificates of Appropriateness to the applicants for Cases HDC 2020-40 and HDC 2020-42.

DISCUSSION:

None.

ACTION:

APPROVED (Unanimous)

DESIGN REVIEW

None.

WORKSHOP

None.

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Historic District Commission Meeting Schedule.

MOTION:

(Allen/Carroll) Mr. Chairman I move to approve the schedule as established for next year.

DISCUSSION:

None.

ACTION:

APPROVED (Unanimous)

OLD BUSINESS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The burned out structure at 216 South Prospect Street has been removed. The former storefront church in the 400 block of Jonathan Street also came down. Ms. Allen asked if the commission will be reviewing the Hamilton Hotel or is it beyond the commission's purview. Mr. Bockmiller explained that as of right now all the damage is on the interior. Paul Fulk, Neighborhood Services Manager, stated that there will be some external bracing to try to save the façade. The cause of the collapse is undetermined.

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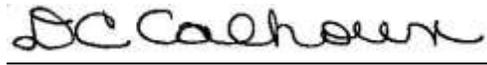
**December 10, 2020
City of Hagerstown, Maryland**

ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn (4:45 p.m.).

1/20/2021

Approved



Debra C. Calhoun – Secretary